Please do not extend the phone/cellular companies time to implement telephone number portability. Doing so will only harm consumers like me who have been waiting YEARS for telephone number portability. The FCC has already give the phone companies PLENTY of time and numerous extensions already. The time has come to provide consumers with what they want and deserve.

I think that the question boils down to who owns the phone number? If I as a consumer paid to get the number and pay for the phone service each month, why shouldn't I be able to keep the number if I change carriers?

Implementing portability will benefit consumers, provide better choice and give an additional incentive to carriers to provide better customer service and more competitive pricing.

Thank you.

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